

RAPID

RAPID is a 501 c (6) non profit volunteer organization—a collection of manufacturers, distributors, retailers, service providers, e-business providers, public warehouses and other industry organizations

Mission Statement: RAPID is a not-for-profit organization, which efficiently develops and maintains the effectiveness of commonly supported e-business standards and databases for industry business. The organization's tools enable businesses to achieve the benefits of electronic business processes.



What is RAPID?

RAPID is:

- A Standards Setting Organization
- RAPID develops and maintains commonly accepted transaction standards
- RAPID acts as a repository for these standards.
- RAPID develops and maintains industry databases to enable efficient eBusiness

RAPID is not:

- A transaction hub
- A Dot Com
- A Value Added Network—VAN
- A Policy Making Body
- An Enforcement Body



RAPID-Member Companies

- Global Manufacturers
 - Bayer CropScience
 - BASF
 - Dow Agrosciences
 - DuPont
 - FMC
 - Monsanto
 - Syngenta
- Distributors
- Retailers
- Service Providers



RAPID eStandards and Tools

RAPID eStandards:

- EDI Standards
- XML Document Standards (in collaboration with CIDX)
- Transport, Routing & Packaging Standards (TRP)
- Product Identification / Bar Code Standards
- Trading Partner ID Standards

RAPID Tools:

- XML Engine
- Product Directory (product data)
- North American Purchaser Directory (end-user)
- E-Business ID Directory (manufacturers & resellers)



RAPID's Focus for 2003

- Restructure and consolidate the current RAPID Directories ensuring a smooth transition to the new data model for each member company/subscriber.
- Pursue the development of the Umbrella Concept by expanding the use of RAPID eStandards and Directories to other industry segments for the purpose of compatibility, collaboration, efficiency and cost control.
- Enhance our working relationship with CIDX/PIDX in our effort to develop appropriate, consistent standards for current members as well as future Umbrella members
- Develop business collaboration standards/guidelines.

